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WEATHER BULLETIN.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—For Lower Michigan: Showers, followed by fair weather in western portions, cooler, variable winds.

VETS THE CRIME.

It is recalled that if the death penalty were in force Sullivan, who was brutally lynched at Coruna, would not have pleaded guilty to the charge of murder. If the death penalty were in force Sullivan probably would not have been killed by a mob and would have been a free man.

The lynching of Sullivan, if it have any bearing on the question at all, conclusively proves the inefficiency and inadequacy of our present law. He confessed that without provocation he deliberately killed Leitch and assaulted his wife. In deliberating on the crime he must have contemplated the punishment he must suffer if detected. The contemplation of that punishment did not deter him. He executed his premeditated purpose.

If the certainty of the death that overtook him had stared him in the face when, with sinister cunning and diabolical intent, he planned to do the deed he might have been restrained. Every instinct of love of life would forbid the execution of his plan.

If he had not been restrained but with certainty of death before him, had consummated the murder, what injury would society have sustained by inflicting death—a just retribution for his homicidal recklessness?

To inflict the death penalty for murder is neither judicial murder nor legalized homicide. It would be absurd to say that the confinement of a burglar, a house-breaker, in prison is a legalized burglary. Yet the logic of the persons who contend that the death penalty is legalized murder will admit of no other logical deduction. The death penalty is a punishment that fits the crime so admirably that no sentimental nonsense should be presented to thwart its adoption.

POSTS AND PENSIONS.

There is war in the Grand Army of the Republic in the Empire state. Farmington Post No. 450 of New York City has expressed itself in a series of resolutions as opposed to the granting of pensions to underserving veterans of the war. This action resulted in its prompt expulsion from the state department.

The obnoxious resolutions were passed early in March, the particularly offensive one being as follows:

The only veterans entitled to pensions are those who, by wounds or disabilities incurred in the service of their country, are prevented from earning a living in their respective callings, as they might have done had such wounds or disabilities not been incurred, and whose circumstances are such as to justify them in calling upon the country for aid and support.

For passing this without first submitting it to the superior officers of the department the Post was cited to appear, but it declined to withdraw its resolutions and an order revoking its charter was entered. It is now an independent post.

In giving its reasons for the passage of the resolutions the preamble recites that "the Grand Army of the Republic is an association organized for the purpose of enabling old soldiers and sailors to take care of themselves and each other; and as much real patriotism may be shown by refraining in time of peace from inflicting unnecessary burdens on the country as by coming to her defense in time of war."

The meaning of these declarations is that it is quite as reprehensible for an able-bodied veteran to accept a pension as for a healthy, vigorous young man to accept arms. The quarrel between the post and the department is purely over the parliamentary question at stake. The quarrel is over the body blow the resolution delivers at the cheats and frauds who, without disability, continue to draw pensions.

OUR CIVILIZATION.

Michigan has never suffered a disgrace so humiliating as the one perpetrated at Coruna Tuesday night. The worst aspect of the horrible affair is that it was instigated and executed by the "best elements" of Shiawassee county. That county is populated by conservative, pious descendants of the Pilgrim fathers. The morals of the people are above the average. The people represent the highest type of our civilization.

The governor of the state, entertaining a high opinion of their law-abiding proclivities, felt no uneasiness when the rumors of a possible lynching reached his ears. Since the awful tragedy he said to a newspaper correspondent:

Shiawassee is such an old, conservative county that I never thought such a thing possible. It has an unusually intelligent population, largely of New England descent.

and while I know that there was much excitement over the affair I did not suppose that things would go so far. I am, however, convinced that in some other county, possibly some action would have been taken to stimulate the local authority to the greatest efforts in preventing the mob from carrying out its purpose.

In view of this statement by the governor, which is an acknowledged fact, how very inconsistent is the claim of the anti-hanging sentimentalists; namely, that the death penalty is a step backward in civilization. Here the very highest types of civilization, educated, refined christian men and women declare the law to be inadequate, and with the unrestrained fury of madmen seize and hang the lifeless body of a murderer and then drag his bleeding corpse through the streets, mutilate it and bestow other indignities, the mention of which blanches the cheeks with crimson.

This is the civilization that demands humane life imprisonment of assassins. It is the civilization that strews the pathway of Latimer with corpses; that makes Canfield's crime a platitude; that dynamites prison walls and brains unsuspecting keepers. It is a civilization that breaks all restraint to wreak terrible vengeance on a confessed murderer; but holds up its hands in horror at the possibility of protecting society by hanging the proved murderer.

OPEN FAIR.

By a vote of 30 to 25 the national commission has voted to permit the world's fair to be opened to the public on Sunday. This action removes the last and only obstacle to the opening and with it the question will be side-tracked as one of the minor details of the great exposition.

The action is a vindication of the supreme right of the majority to regulate its own morals as well as its laws. At no time since the question was first pressed into prominence has a majority of the people been in sympathy with the effort to keep the gates closed. A minority representing extreme religious scruples has presumed to dictate how and when the majority shall pay its respects to the Bible command to keep one day of the seven holy. That minority has been rebuked.

Now the great school with its accumulated moral, philosophical, mechanical and art object lessons will be open to the multitude on every day in the week. On Sunday the open fair will check the wild and unrestrained viciousness of those who, having no other place to spend the day, frequent places of questionable reputation and contribute to the profits of the loud-voiced fakir. On the whole both the fair and the country may be congratulated on the happy outcome.

During the trial of the libel suit brought by M. J. Paige of Buffalo, New York, it has been deemed wise to refrain from acknowledging the courtesies extended by our neighbors in their fair and unprejudiced reports of the proceedings. Such acknowledgment is now made. The HERALD defended itself in this case principally to vindicate its absolute good faith in printing the original article. It believes that the result of the trial whether for or against it will prove of great value to the public, to its contemporaries and to itself. The HERALD in common with all reputable newspapers aims to print the news free from prejudices and inaccuracies. If it er in a single instance and any person suffer in reputation and business it will be just as ready to repair the injury as it is to print what it believes to be only legitimate news.

COMMISSIONER MASSEY chairman of the judicial committee of the Columbia commission has resigned. The defeat of the Sunday closing report impelled him to retire. He still continues to hold office as a commissioner and will gather in a \$6,000 salary attached to an ornamental position.

If the young women at the university desire to develop their muscles they must confine their exercise to the bicycle and tennis court. The house of representatives has declined to appropriate money to build them a gymnasium.

By dint of immediate action and continued perseverance the extortioners practiced on the world's fair grounds have been entirely suppressed by the managers. It will now be in order to apply the brakes to the railroad companies.

DONALD McDONALD DICKINSON is too feeble to pay any attention to Daniel McDuffy Campau's challenge to battle; but he is knocking the official plume off for his friends with all the vigor of full and exuberant health.

QUEEN VICTORIA was 74 years old yesterday, and seems as healthy and robust as ever. It is probable that Eddie Wales celebrated the day by chanting the solemn service, "How Long, O Lord?"

With incredible wisdom the corner's jury in the Sullivan lynching case returned a verdict that he came to his death by a self-inflicted wound. There is no statute forbidding the lynching of dead men.

Dr. Barons is determined that his case shall be heard in the present assembly. If it is not he will carry it to the courts. A corner's jury would settle it in short order.

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT was inflicted on a very delicate man by the Hesperus club last evening. The fact will not be used as an argument in favor of the knife bill.

It might be stated for the benefit of the world's fair tourists that the Maine building dedicated yesterday is not what is generally known as the main building.

THEATRE NOTES.

In the quaint intriguing of humor and pathos presented in "Hazel Kirke" the idea of comedy drama is achieved. It is an indefinitely sweet and impressive stage picture. No scheming villain breaks into a happy home to despoil the happiness of a family. A dotting but ill-balanced father misinterprets his duty in his eagerness to requite the material friendship of a wealthy patron and turns his innocent daughter adrift. This is the only unforgiving act in the piece. Everything else springs from noble impulses generous nobility and pure womanhood. "Hazel Kirke" is better than a sermon and purer than a poem. But everybody is familiar with the great Madison Square theatre success. In the presentation of it in The Powers last evening at least three of the original cast were in the leading roles. Edith Elstler as Hazel is demure sweet and innocent. She has played the part so many times that one forgets the characterization in her exquisitely natural portrayal. Her voice is clear and penetrating, but with no suggestion of harshness. She is not a beautiful woman; but she is prepossessing and brilliant. C. W. Coulbeck, whose name is inseparably connected with the play, and the oldest living actor, presents a robust and forceful characterization, if not indeed a creation, as Dunstan Kirke. He is younger and livelier to all appearances than he was eleven years ago. Frank Weston, the original Pittacus Green, is irresistibly funny in his droll mannerisms and droll apostrophes to "Beauty" and the "Monster." The Arthur Gillingham of Drouet and Aaron Rosney of George F. Farren were perfectly sustained characterizations. Miss Fanny Burr's Mercy Kirke was extremely well poised. In the minor roles, admirably sustained, were Annie Athy, Kate Lander, Charles P. Bates, James W. Castle and J. G. Hall. Tonight Robert Drouet's "Doris" will be offered, with Miss Elstler in the title role. Twenty choir boys from Trinity church will take part in the production.

Smith's long and excellent specialty bill is attracting large houses to his theatre this week. The Mortons in a refined change specialty are very popular. The twisting of Rexo is wonderful. Matinee tomorrow.

The sword drill entertainment to be given in The Powers' new theatre this evening will be attended by a numerous audience. The box office for the sale of seats will be opened Saturday morning.

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TO USE BERTILLON'S SYSTEM.

Mental Advancement of Pupils to Be Gauged by the Physical.

WASHINGTON, May 24.—A curious experiment is to be tried in the public schools here. Superintendent Powell and Dr. Harris, of the bureau of education, wish to find, by actual experiment, whether or not there can be established any certain relation between the physical and mental development of the children in the various grades. They have accordingly perfected plans for taking the measurement of 20,000 of the school children of the nation's capital according to the celebrated Bertillon method, which in France, where it originated, and this country it has been confined almost exclusively to the criminal classes. The director of physical training in the schools will conduct the experiments. When the results of the measurements are tabulated, it is believed they will disclose if there is any definite relation between the physical and mental developments of the pupils, and if this relation is satisfactorily established it will be used to advantage in guiding the teachers as to the amount of work that may be safely required of many cases presenting an overstraining of those whose physical development does not keep pace with their mental, and pointing out as well when that work can be required of a pupil without fear of injury. The experiment is a new departure, but it is in line with the advance of modern work, and the teachers of the schools are hopeful that it will lead to valuable results.

STATE PRESS SENTIMENT.

The lynching of William Sullivan at Coruna last evening shows that even in civilized Michigan there is a threat for human gore. While the law is cheated of its prey, there is some consolation in the reflection that Sullivan is now beyond the possibility of accomplishing a repetition of the Latimer or Blackman episode which drew the grace on the prison management and the people of the state. While the lawlessness of the Coruna mob is to be deplored, the cold blooded devilishness of Michigan murderers is exasperating in the extreme, particularly in the absence of capital punishment.—Jackson Patriot.

The "robber tariff" is not causing the sweat to flow under the collar of free trade statesmen so freely as it did a short time ago. The necessity for funds to meet the current demands upon the government is a condition, not a theory, and the "robber tariff" is about all there is to depend on to keep things from falling to pieces.—Cedar Springs Clipper.

To the invitation to be present at the Arlington on Decoration day President Cleveland has sent a respectful declination. Mr. Cleveland evidently has no more regard for dead soldiers than he has for the veterans who still survive.—Bay City Tribune.

A New York despatch says that Dr. Talmage has been offered a church in Chicago with a salary of \$50,000 a year. But there is a suspicion that they want to put him in a side show on Midway Plaisance, and he will decline it.—Jackson Courier Star.

Dr. Briggs seems to be the wiles that is splitting Presbyterianism.—Saginaw Courier Herald.

HIT AND MISS BRIEFS.

Related spring is making up for lost time with a vengeance. Already vendors of alleged lemonade, with big chunks of ice in evidence, have appeared on the streets.—New York Herald.

News from Central and South American revolutions is never safely interpretable unless we know which party is in control of the telegraph stations.—Providence Journal.

It is easy to guide a horse by his mouth, but in the case of man you trust to his mouth and he will run away with you.—Boston Transcript.

Most of the old rosters young Max well has been asked are too young for anything but soap.—Fairfax News.

The summer girl is coming and she'll make the old man's pocket book feel as if it had been struck by a winter's hail.—Sarasota Gazette.

The republican party has done enough for Clarkson to entitle it to his services for several years to come.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

A mean man is more to be dreaded than a mean animal. His intelligence enables him to do meaner things.—Troy Press.

Every Chicago man is supposed to blush as soon as he enters the gallery of art at the fair.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

The Chemical bank has decided to resume. This is a most gratifying instance of Chemical reaction.—Chicago Tribune.

MOTOR CHAIR.

"There were more Grand Rapids motor chairs in Florida last winter than any before," said W. W. McQuinn of Jacksonville in The Morning yesterday afternoon. "We hope there will be more next year. The Indian river country is becoming very popular, and many of the northerners are going there. It is especially delightful during the months of January and February. A great many of the tourists spend the latter six weeks of these two months in the Indian river region and then go back to St. Augustine to remain during the remainder of the winter. D. A. Rodgett of this city spent most of the winter at Rockledge. I met Henry Spring there also, and several other very pleasant citizens of Grand Rapids. The resort business is over for the year so far as Florida is concerned. The world's fair is the main object of interest now, but the railroad rates are so high that at present few southerners are going. I think the roads are making a mistake in the matter, but they do not seem able to see it. Here is an illustration: The regular fare from St. Augustine to Chicago is \$25. The railroads are offering a round trip rate to Chicago of \$45. This is hardly a decrease over the regular fare, and many persons do not seem disposed to pay that much. If the roads would make a \$40 rate they would do a much better business, and I am not sure but they would make more money on a \$30 rate. Still, they don't seem to see it just that way."

"Grand Rapids persists in growing," remarked J. W. Leighton of Chicago in The Morning yesterday. "I have not been here before for five years and am surprised at the change. The old horse car system was in use here then, and in spite of all the enterprise the city had, the street cars were a dead give away. Horse cars are about the most discouraging thing that a growing and ambitious city can have to contend with. The electric cars have given Grand Rapids a lively, metropolitan aspect, which is thoroughly in keeping with the character and reputation of the place. I believe that local rapid transit has more to do with the growth and development of a city than any other one thing. Where there is no quick and convenient method of communication between different sections of a municipality there is sure to be a congestion and ultimate stagnation of business. People do not want to move away from the center of the town. With horse cars, it is a matter of two or three hours to get from one extreme of the city to the other. The result of this is exceedingly depressing. In all the west I know of no livelier place of its size than Grand Rapids, and I am inclined to think the electric cars have as much to do with it as anything else."

"I got even with a sleeping car conductor once," said C. L. Thompson in The Morning last night. "It was a couple of three years ago—before the interstate law went into effect. I traveled on a pass in those days. One day I expected to get into Cincinnati late at night, and telegraphed ahead for a sleeping car berth. When I arrived I asked the conductor if a berth had been saved for C. L. Thompson. The conductor was a burly, dead game tough appearing individual, and he gazed at me with a look of mingled pity and contempt. Then he dashed his lantern into my eyes and insolently remarked: 'No, there ain't; nor for any other Thompson, either.' I made up my mind I'd get even with him, and calmly accepted an upper berth. Then I hunted up the porter and demanded to know the conductor's name. 'Dunno for sure, boss,' he said solemnly. 'Yes you do,' I replied. 'I'm on this train to spot just such terriers as he is and I'm going to do it. See that pass?' The porter looked at the pass and gave me the conductor's name. I took it down in my note book and said nothing. The next morning that man came around and asked me if I slept well. He voluntarily gave me all the information he possessed regarding connections along the road, and he refused to allow the porter to take the tip I offered him. I'd been president of the road that thick necked boor couldn't have been any more gracious."

Among the arrivals in The New Livingston yesterday were John McNaughton, a big Rapids lumberman, Mrs. C. D. Carpenter, wife of a prominent dry goods merchant of that city and Mrs. Griffith.

A. A. Ross of Washington was a guest in The Morton for breakfast yesterday. Mr. Ross was formerly chief of a division in the interior department, and is at present connected with the patent office.

J. A. Johnson of Muskegon is a guest in Sweet's. Mr. Johnson will conduct the Lyman summer resort hotel during the coming season.

C. C. Chittenden, one of Cadillac's enterprising young lumbermen, dropped into the city yesterday and registered in The Morton.

W. H. Williams of New York, president of the Union News company, ate breakfast in The Morton yesterday.

Thomas Smoothwaite, a Manistee attorney, dined in The New Livingston yesterday.

Effie Elstler Weston and her company are guests in The Morton.

KENT—Asa Clark, Muskegon; J. H. Wilcox, Ionia; H. B. Chamberlin, Detroit; Mrs. W. M. Samfield, Alden; F. A. McGuire, Jackson.

CLARENCE—W. A. Carlson and wife, Battle Creek; R. G. Lamoreaux, Fruitport; J. Colby, Rockford; E. L. Bennett, Lowell; L. J. Foehaler, Sparta; J. E. Albee, Detroit.

BREWER STREET—H. E. Decker, Greenville; A. N. Fitch and wife, Sparta; Harley Haynes, Talmadge; G. C. Townsend and wife, Orono; H. B. Crossman, Rockford.

MORTON—C. E. Jillion, Stevensville; E. C. Parsons, Kalamazoo; L. T. Kinne, Westville; W. J. Moon, Muskegon; C. E. Miller, C. C. Chittenden, Cadillac.

NEW LIVINGSTON—W. H. Thompson, Marcellona; W. S. Sherman, Allegan; Thomas A. Parish, Grand Haven; Geo. P. Hemmer and wife, Holland; H. Murray, Sparta; T. Bates, Muskegon.

SWEET'S—G. W. Kellogg, LeRoy; C. H. Thompson, Detroit; J. H. Whittaker, Pawnee; W. E. Barnes, Reed City; W. R. Burk, E. C. Orsatt, Detroit.

FOURTH—E. E. Hewitt, Rockford; Geo. H. Chandler, Holland; William Brown, Allegan; P. R. Stanton, Ithaca; F. G. Worth, Benton Harbor; W. R. Locke, Reed City.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

The Ross Bradley company of Orono have decided to move their enormous plant to West Bay City.

Jackson wants the legislature to appropriate \$1,000 to dyke the Grand river just above the prison.

Ford Rhodes was arrested at LaCrosse for obtaining \$16 from a Kalamazoo man under false pretenses.

A thirteen-year-old son of John Telfinger was drowned at Rogers City while fishing.

The Saginaw Y. M. C. A. is to give a concert for the benefit of the fire and firemen.

Shoeborn business men will take Muskegon by storm today and the Saginaw City will run wide open.

Dean Hole of Rochester, England, says that if he had not been brought up to the church he would like to have been either master of a pack of hounds, head gardener in a big nursery or a book-seller, with a decided preference for the last named.

General Buckner, whose campaign slogan, "Bolton, Bell and the Baby," still rings in blue grass ears, has had constructed a little steam river yacht in which he expects to take cruises down the Ohio and the Mississippi.

Dr. Conan Doyle, the novelist, began life as an eye specialist, but his success as a story teller has induced his abandonment of the medical profession. He is a Scotchman, 34 years old.

William C. Whitney, because of business engagements at home, has been compelled to defer his usual spring trip to Europe.

A Danville preacher told us that he attended the funeral of a husband once, and when he returned to the house of mourning to console the wife, the first opportunity she had she remarked: "Well, Brother, I'll give you a job that will pay you better before long."

And, sure enough, she got married soon after. Truly, a man doesn't amount to much when his wife is a widow.—Danville Breeze.

Mrs. Skaggsby—"They say, as a rule, the women are much more impressed with the awful majesty of Niagara Falls than the men." Skaggsby—"Certainly. The roar is the only thing in the world against which their tongues stand no show."—Buffalo Courier.

Minks—"That was a pretty shrewd scheme of Smith's at Chicago. Made \$1,000 out of it in two weeks." Jinks—"What was it?" "Galvanizing restaurant biscuits and selling them for souvenir half dollars."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"Going to Europe this summer?" "Yes." "I suppose you'll have a good time on shipboard?" "Well, I suppose shipboard is as good as any other, but I never feel well enough to eat on the ocean."—Washington Star.

"You say she tried to stop the car by whistling at it. Did she make a success of it?" "Yes, in a way. It wasn't her whistling that stopped the car, though; it was the face she made."—Indianapolis Journal.

A Ready Helpmeet—"We've got to economize," said Mr. Gargyle to his wife. "Very well, dear," replied the good woman cheerfully, "you shave yourself and I'll cut your hair."—Brooklyn Life.

Diyspepsia specialist (irritably)—"But, madam, you must chew your food. What were your teeth given you for?" Female patient (calmly)—"They weren't given to me. I bought 'em."—Life.

"Do you have much trouble getting servants in the country, Watkins?" "No, indeed. We've had eight cooks, five waitresses and three landladies in two months."—Harpers's Bazar.

Michigan Pensions.

Original—William Smith, Martin Cox, Reuben Ross, William Bonney, Increase Ira H. McGlasson, Charles Culver, Egbert Lathrop, William G. Fox, George Morgan, Benson—David Bright, Benson—John Warner, Original, widow etc. Lucinda Lemmon, Mary Kirtland (mother), Ann B. Rhodes, Margaret Powers, Lucinda Wilson, minor of D. P. Austin, minor of Theodore H. Prall, Rosina Culver, William Hurl (father), minor of George Ross, minor of David Williams, Phoebe Greenough (mother), Rebecca A. Whitcomb.

Original—Levi Barkman, Luther Babble, Aime Dobbinson, James Graham, Increase Nelson Austin, Chester St. Court, William H. Leomin, Peter Tart, Nicholas Okeefe, Original, widow etc. Ellen Smith, Martha Matson, minor of John L. Gline, Salara Wolcott (special act), William C. Nichols (father), minor of George Ewing.

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Men's Shirts, - - - 20c to \$1.25

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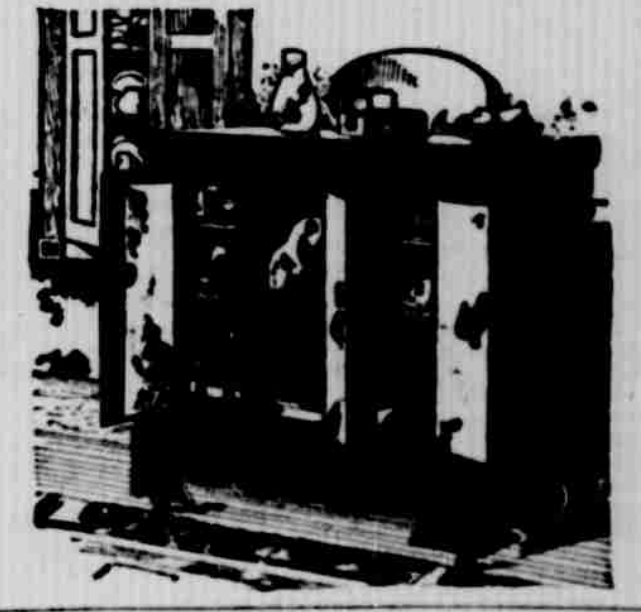
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